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To the Seattle City Council ~

I was dismayed to hear & read of the kindly Chief Stamper's imminent resignation and somewhat surprised the latter was so readily accepted by the Mayor. I liked Chief Stamper because he was honest, courageously outspoken about once being a near-"rogue" cop, a friend to Gap and Bi's, and a real earnest Gap-Bridger. The guy had a caring heart. He was not given the respect he deserved by even his own rank and file - that was saddest of all.

Well, I also like Mayor Schell, having met him this past Saturday. I am now hoping that Mayor Schell will, a bit more graciously, and less defensively, shoulder his share of the blame for the WTO fiasco. After all, he outranks Chief Stamper who already dutifully apologized to

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The Public). That would be a good face and dignity - saving measure for Mayor Schell to do so. That way, he would not appear to be quite the Political Glad-Hander some of his constituents believe him to be ~

I will miss Chief Norman Stamples. He mingled with the Hoi-Polloi in a manner Chief Fitzsimons could (would?) not.

I will miss his common touch.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Abbie Ormsby